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Rudolph Mourees, with help from Arlington Boys and Girls Club counselor Matt Keating, pours water into their most during a sandcastle building contest on Reservoir Beach June 6. Max Lover, at left, readies the next bucket of water while James Reid, at right, looks on. Please see page 1B for the story and an additional photograph.

## Search on for local woman in Yosemite Rescue teams look for missing Arlington hiker in California national park

By Patrick McGee

RECYCLING

**ROUTE** NEXT WEEK

**NEWS/OPINION** 

**■ FEDERAL GRANTS:**Arlington's

social services will suffer if Congress

cuts funding for the Community Block

Grant program. For details, see page

■ MWRA RATES:MWRA rates for

in the monthly bill. See page 5A for

**SPORTS** 

in recent days

lington Advocate

Arlington have decreased for the new

Double elimination playoffs at several age levels in the Arling-

ton Baseball Association have been under way in the past week. The Arlington Little

League at the American and Na-

tional Division levels have been

playing games during that peri-

od, while the 13-year-olds and

the 14 and 15-year-olds in the

been involved in playoff games

Rangers in the 16 to 18-year-old

Division are off to a good start,

winning five of their first seven

contests. Action is also under

way among the traveling teams

at several age levels. Please see

stories involving these teams in

the B-Section of this week's Ar-

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POLICELOG

SENIOR NEWS

Babe Ruth League have also

Meanwhile, the Arlington

fiscal year, but don't look for the change

Searchers equipped with helifornia Wednesday looking for a missing 37-year-old Arlington

Jeanne Hesselschwerdt, a social worker, was reported missing Sunday when she and her companion, 42-year-old Mike Monahan, reportedly separated and agreed to meet back at the car. She had not been found by 4 p.m. Wednesday, according to Kris Fister, a park spokeswoman.

"We still believe she's out enough to jeopardize her condition, although she may be in-

Fister said temperatures in the park dipped to the low 40s Tuesday night. Searchers had picked up several trails, but none of them had led them to the missing hiker,

Monahan told investigators that while on their way to Glacier Point, the pair stopped at Summit Meadow to stretch their legs. The headed in different directions for a short walk and agreed to meet back at the car.

Hesselschwerdt was not at the car when Monahan returned. He searched the area for her and returned to the car several times but could not find her, park officials

Hesselschwerdt was wearing leather hiking boots, a tee shirt and shorts. She did not have a day pack with her. The area being copters and dogs scoured a section there," Fister said. "The weather meadow was too wet to walk on so searched is wooded, mostly withof Yosemite National Park in Cali- conditions have not been bad Hesselschwerdt and Monahan out trails, and quite rugged, according to a park official.

One hundred ground searchers, 11 dog teams and two helicopters were searching a 40-mile area Wednesday

Hesselschwerdt walked into the woods north of the road but the search was extended to the south and east Wednesday

## Dorrington's story hits home with media

By Robin Robinson

When Shawn Dorrington wrote a letter to the editor looking for a new foster home, he got more than he bargained for. Not only did he find a new home, but he also stimulated a media blitz that affected his life and the lives of those around him.

First The Advocate carried his

story, then the Boston Globe. Next—ana the Associated Press picked it up. making Dorrington's story available to member papers throughout the country. It is unclear exactly how many newspapers ran the AP story, but Dorrington has heard from people who said they saw it in The Washington Post, the New York Times, the Quincy Patriot-Ledger and other dailies in state ranging from Indiana to Louisi-

The day after the Globe story. local television stations joined in All three Boston network affiliates contacted him, as well as ABC NBC and CNN. Dorrington was featured in July 3 newscasts on WBZ-TV4 and WHDH-TV7

People began to recognize him on the street and in stores. He re-

DORRINGTON, see page 5A

## More state aid headed to town

FY '96 funding is up 4.3 percent

By Patrick McGee

and Mark Leccese

CNC STATEHOUSE BUREAU

Arlington will receive a 4.3 percent increase in state aid for fiscal year 1996, a figure the treasurer portrays as modest. After the town pays its expenses

to the state, Arlington will see an increase of \$456,410 in state aid.

It's certainly not going to make a great difference to us," town treasurer John J. Bilafer said of

Arlington \$12,686,336 from the state but also owes the state \$2,722,358; \$62,302 more than last year. That leaves net receipts at \$9,963,978 for fiscal year 1996.

Arlington must pay the state \$2,599,210 for the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) services that run through the town. The town also pays for other state services such as air pollution control and mosquito con-

"It's mostly the MBTA that we're charged for," Bilafer said.

Town Manager Donald R. Marquis said this fiscal year's extra money will be saved for next year's

'It's more than we expected. Marquis said, adding that the state was not originally going to grant so much but yielded under pressure STATE AID, see page 6A

from the municipalities. "We can save that so we can have free cash next year.

Of the state aid, \$3,406,299 is slotted for education

Superintendent of Schools Kathleen Donovan said the money for education is really a reimbursement for education that goes directly to the town, not to the schools. She viewed the increase more optimistically than Bilafer

"If we did not get this increase from the state, the taxes in the town would have to go up in order to pay the bill," Donovan said, adding that the reimbursement came to \$75 per full-time student.

She said the state was planning to reimburse Arlington only \$25 per student. The amount tripled with passage of a bill proposed by state Sen. Bob Havern (D-Arling-

'We have to do it again next year," Donovan said, pointing out that the downside is that Havern's bill only was effective for fiscal year 1996. Donovan said that she and school parents would probably have to testify before the legislature again to secure such a high reimbursement next year.

Although the increase for Arlington may be seen as modest, the cherry sheets mailed to the state's 351 cities and towns earlier this week reflect Beacon Hill's most concrete commitment to local aid since the state was plunged into a

### Changes in Arlington's local aid

Program	FY95	FY96	% change
Chapter 70	2,962,323	3,243,048	+9.5
School Transportation	153,915	129,286	-16
School Construction	20,389	30,005	+4.7
Tuition/State Ward	2,899	3.960	+36.5
Racial Imbalance	195,271	196,359	+.5
School Lunch	16,024	15.703	2 1
Lottery	2,466,436	2,764,349	+12
Police Career Incentive	156,568	154,310	-1.4
Veterans' Benefits	120,126	88,055	-26.7
Veterans' Exemptions	7,350	9,74()	+32.5
Blind Persons Exemptions	6,475	6,213	-4
Elderly Exemptions	90,862	78,814	-13
Public Libraries ,	47,834	45,360	-5.1
Total Est. Receipts	12,167,624	12,686,336	+4.3

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## All the neighborhood news that's fit for conversation

Menotomy Rocks Park community's newsletter delivers a bundle of news for neighbors

By Marianne Curren SPECIAL TO THE ADVOCATE

In the good old days people learned about new babies - and babysitters - over clotheslines and backyard fences. Today, it's not so easy to find out what's going on around the corner, unless you live in the vicinity of Menotomy Rocks Park, home of The Neighborhood Newsletter.

Published on a seasonal basis. the newsletter is called a "seat-ofthe pants operation" by Bill Berkowitz, one of the original editors. It was started in 1987, in part to fill the vacuum created by the closing of the neighborhood Parmenter School. Parents, who often met through their kids, suddenly had one less way to forge local ties. Also, people who had worked to save the Parmenter, already united, wanted to stay connected

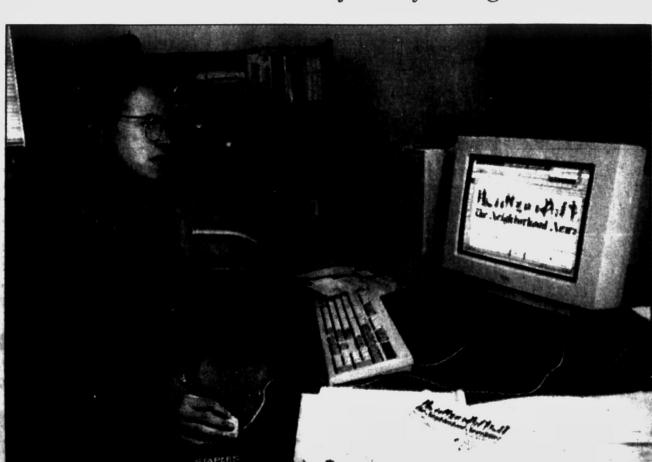
Over the years, writers have moved and editors have gone on to graduate school. The newsletter itself was dormant for two years, but was revived in 1992. Today, it has grown into a six-page potpourri of fun and information that anchors ,000 households in precincts 8

"Homey, casual, and light," is how Berkowitz describes the newsletter. But the intent is seri-

"The way society is heading, there is more need for people to rely on our own community resources; connections become more important," Berkowitz said. "It's nice to know your neighbors and feel you belong to a flesh and blood community.

Covering topics from traffic and picnics to very local history and life on the shores of Spy Pond, the newsletter is a labor of love that reflects neighborhood interests. Part newspaper, part bulletin board, it's supported by donations and depends on volunteers every step of the way.

Along with regular features such as the "Kid's Corner"and an introduction of newcomers, the newsletter profiles people and locations, runs contests, and publicizes meetings and social events. It provides updates and feedback. It's a forum for ideas about neighborhood activity, and is the occasional sounding board or rallying



STAFF PHOTO BY BRIAN Mary Cummings works on "The Neighborhood News" at her Arlington home earlier

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By Patrick McGee

Arlington's social services for the handicapped and elderly will be cut if Congress cuts block grants to towns and cities, said Alan McClennen, director of planning and community development.

McClennen, who administers the Community Development Block Grant program for Arlington, said whatever cuts Congress makes will also be made to the social programs because the town does not have the money to pay for

Congress currently has CDBG slated for a 28 percent cut, but that figure may change. Cities and towns use the grants for a wide va-said. riety of community needs.

can survive is with federal funds.' McClennen said of the 45 services. such as transportation for elderly and handicapped people, delivery of hot meals to elderly people confined by their medical condition and an adult health care center.

'We are now spending close to the maximum," McClennen said. He said the program may be cut by 28 percent but a figure is not yet definite. Arlington receives about \$1.5 million from the Community Development Block Grant pro-

"There is no way the town can pick up the costs," McClennen

**ARLINGTON NEWS** 

Arlington's social services threatened Cuts in federal grants would affect elderly and handicapped programs

McClennen said Arlington cur-'The only way these programs rently receives a "formula grant" meaning the town is given money based on certain factors. Because of this Arlington will not have to compete with other communities if cuts are made, he said. But if Congress changes the formula and grants money based on need Arlington would not be likely to be defined as a needy community and could stand to lose even more funds

Town Manager Donald R. Marquis was with a group of other municipal officials who met with Sen. John F. Kerry on Monday and Gov. William Weld on Tuesday. He said he urged both men to do all possi-

ble to save the CDBG program.

"We use the money to really improve the quality of life for the people of Arlington," Marquis

He said the town's been receiving between a quarter of a million dollars and \$1.5 million a year from the CDBG program a year since its conception in 1974.

Marquis said he urged Kerry to save the program and told Weld of the need to include municipal officials in the debate over new federalism, a belief that would give more responsibilities to the states.

'We don't want to assume more responsibilities without getting the resources" to meet those responsibilities, Marquis said.

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#### First tobacco sales permit is presented

Arlington has issued its first tobacco sales permit under new

town regulations enacted by the town Board of Health in June.

The new permitting process helps the town identify establishments who sell tobacco. Tom Fantozzi, director of health, said

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there are approximately 40 stores and gas stations that sell tobacco. The first business to complete the permitting process was Stop and

In connection with the new regulations, the Arlington Tobacco Education Program, with the Health Department, developed a training session aimed at educating retailers about the seriousness of adolescent tobacco use. Arlington merchants who sell tobacco attended one of three sessions concerning eliminating tobacco sales

to children. Business people learned effective procedures to verify proof of age of tobacco purchasers. Marcie

Marcinuk, the Tobacco Education program director, said she is concerned about keeping tobacco out of children's hands because if children don't smoke as teens, they probably will never start. Minors. in particular, are at risk from the addictive effects of nicotine, she

The regulations give the town recourse if a store sells a tobacco product to someone under the age

"It gives us something to enforce on the local level," said Fantozzi.

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School Sunday night. The fire gut-

ted a large part of the building and

a Belmont officer and two firefighters were at the scene for five

## POLICE



#### ARRESTS

- On July 5 Arlington police arrestd a 47-year-old woman on an outstanding warrant for a bad check. Police responded to a tenant-landlord dispute on Kilsvthe Road. The woman had not paid her rent for three months. police said Police found a warrant for her arrest when they ran a check on her She allegedly was going to leave for Chicago the next day
- A 40-year-old Cambridge man was arrested at 9:30 p.m. July 5 when he was pulled over on Mystic Avenue An officer saw the man's brown Lincoln pass a car that was stopped for an elderly woman crossing Mystic Avenue. police said. Police stopped the car and ran a check for his license. The man. who first gave police a phony name. was arrested for driving after his liense was revoked, driving an unregistered car and driving an uninsured
- A car accident at the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Lake Street resulted in the arrest of a 38-year-old Arlington woman. She was charged with driving without being issued a license. driving an uninsured car and driving an unregistered car.
- Revere police arrested a Lynn man on an Arlington police warrant charging him with violating a restraining order. The 35-year-old man was arrested and sent to Arlington at about 7:30 p.m. on July 6
- On July 8 police arrested a 30-year old man at his home on Massachusetts Avenue on an outstanding warrant for larceny by check. The building superintendent allowed police into the man's apartment, police said.

#### LARCENIES AND BREAK-INS

■ A 23-year-old man reported that he was attacked and robbed by two men as he was walking back from Foodmaster in Sommerville at about 11.10 p.m. on July 3.

Mark A. Centrella of Pond Lane said a car pulled up to him on Oxford Street The passenger walked up to him and the driver hit him from behind and knocked him down. They took his wallet, pulled \$5 out and discarded the allet Centrella could not give police any description of the car or the robbers and police have no suspects

- An Arlington woman reported the theft of her wallet and checkbook from her pocketbook from her pocketbook on July 8 between 3 and 3:30 p.m. She was lifting her granddaughter up to an ice cream truck at Pond Lane playground area when someone reached into her purse, that was slung over her shoulder, and lifted the items. She lost \$43 in cash but did not see the thief
- An attempted break-in was reported on July 4 at 9:39 p.m. Police responded to \$25 Summer St. and found a latter up against the house. No entry was gained but the window had pry marks on it. Ofnicers dusted for fingerprints but could not find anything clear.
- A 1990 Chevrolet Geo Hatchback was broken into on July 7 sometime during the night and stripped of its expensive stereo equipment. A pioneer stereo, two speakers and an amplifier worth over \$500 were neatly cut free of

the wires. The dashboard was severely damaged and about 50 rock CDs were also stolen ufapoliceMISCELLANEOUS

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#### **BICYCLE THEFTS**

- On July 6 at about 2 p.m. a bicycle was cut from the chain that secured it to a pole and stolen from the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Pleasant
- On July 6 at 3.25 p.m. a 12-year-old boy had his 18-speed bicycle pulled away from him on the bike path near Linwood Street. He said the bike was stolen by two black males about 13 years old. The suspects stood about five feet, five inches tall and weighed between 110 and 125 pounds One wore a black and yellow stripped shirt and blue shorts while the other wore black
- At 10:30 a.m. on July 6 a Teel street resident reported that two bicycles were stolen off the rack of the car some time during the night. The two mountain bikes are valued at \$250 each. One had an attached baby seat valued at

sweat paints and a black shirt.

- At 10:30 p m a 10-speed bicycle was stolen from the back porch of 40 Fairmont St. Police later found the bicycle abandoned in east Arlington
- A 10-speed bicycle was stolen from the back yard of 12 Margaret St. some time before 8 p.m. No suspicious people were seen in the area
- An Arlington resident left his bicycle in front of 10 Raleigh St. when he went to visit a friend at about 6:15 on July 8 The \$800 bike was gone when he returned 10 minutes later

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#### **MUTUAL AID**

■ Arlington firefighters assisted Belmont in fighting a large blaze at

■ A fire caused \$2500 worth of damage to Aram Printing Shop on Warren Street when a pile of oily rags, left in the doorway, spontaneously combusted just before 11 pm on July 6 Deputy Fire Chief Richard Maimone said piles of oil rags sometimes catch fire because they generate heat and sometimes cause a chemical reaction that ignites. Maimone said the owner of the shop left the rags for his clean-

ing person to pick up.

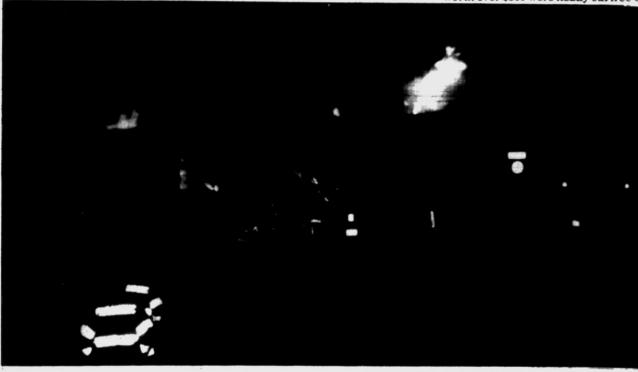
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## Neighborhood news for Menotomy Rocks Park community

NEWSLETTER, from page 1A

A recent article on co-op babysitting, for example, generated enough interest for a follow-up meeting. On a more civic note, the newest issue highlighted the formation of Friends of Menotomy Rocks Park. And then there's the famous hoax issue, which reported the finding of dinosaur remains in Hill's Pond, but that's apparently another story

According to editor Mary Cummings, all ideas and material are welcome. Cummings, who assumed her post of a year ago. calls her role "a lot of fun." and considers it a good excuse to experiment with her new, fully-loaded computer. The only downside, she says, is having to edit in the interest of space. And, from time to time. Cummings wishes the newsletter were just a touch more provocative, although she opposes "ripsnorting controversy.

One of its more charming aspects is the way the newsletter is put together. While Cummings and Berkowitz fine-tune each issue. the overall process is low-key and completely democratic Just as anyone can contribute, anyone can participate in the planning and t the decision-making. The content and the weather to ensure delivis driven by the wants of the readers, and the character of each issue is determined by the contributors. Often it's simply a function of who's interested and available at

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Jane Howard goes door-to-door delivering copies of The Neighborhood Newsletter

people brave the hills, the steps. ery. And if, for some reason, the newsletter doesn't arrive, someone in the informal structure will hear about it.

Both Cummings and Berkowitz feel strongly that other neighbor-

erness." Berkowitz maintains that they "add richness and vitality. According to both, it's an easy

project to undertake.

"It's amazing to see how much there is to explore and write about

in an area," says Cummings. Judging from the notes she receives, The Neighborhood Newsletter is very popular with its readers. Realtors place it in the homes

they show. One resident even

who is starting up a newsletter in his neck of Denver. One of the early issues stat-

sends old copies to her brother,

ed,"We've always felt a good newsletter can help strengthen our sense of community, which seems even more important when much of the world seems to be chasing private pleasures." Some readers would claim The New York Times couldn't have said it better.

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## **INSIDE ARLINGTON**

## Dorrington's story hits home with media

DORRINGTON, from page 1A

ceived calls and letters from people he has never met. Excerpts from letters written by well-wishers include: "I know it took a lot of courage to put yourself out there in that way and I congratulate you for that," and "So wonderful to read about a young man who knows what he wants, to have your goals.

According to Dorrington, friends have said: "Hey, my parents think you're OK now!

'I love the attention!" he beams. "It's like a big pat on the back.

To avoid disrupting Janet Halloran, the Arlington woman who gave him a home, Dorrington has his own phone and a beeper. He laughs, "If Oprah calls, give her my beeper number!

Knowing his celebrity is short lived, Dorrington referred to this interview as his "last hurrah," and admits that things have already started to quiet down.

With the quiet comes a struggle with loneliness, and the task of settling in to his new surroundings. He hopes that the media coverage will open doors for him, help him meet new friends. He wants people to continue to approach him and write to him.

"I want to make new friends, but I'm not good at making the first move. If someone walks up and says 'Hi Shawn, how's it going? then I'm all set, you know?

Arlington resident and fire deputy Jim Long is a longtime friend and role model to Dorrington.

'Shawn has a uniqueness about him that is unchangeable I am amazed at this courage. He is a young man who has dealt with a lot of difficult situations and he still has every confidence in the goodness of life

According to Long, Dorrington tells the story of Arlington as a community. "Arlington has community, has a lot to offer. There's a lot of outreach, there's a lot of peo-

ple who are sensitive and caring about the community. The town tries to reach out to young people. I've seen Arlington as a community do many, many things by many, many citizens, that aren't often recognized. When I read Shawn's story, it's telling the town's story He has given the town and the community a great gift — you feel

'You can't not like a guy like Shawn. I always wish him well." Long added.

Arlington High School principal Charlie McCarthy agrees.

Shawn is a great kid, he's pleasant to have around, keeps his nose clean. I'm glad things worked out for him.

Lifetime goals for Dorrington include becoming a firefighter in Arlington, and becoming a part of the community, maybe some day raise a family there.

I know I want a wife, 'he smiles coyly. "But I don't know about kids." He shrugs matter of factly, "I

don't know what a family is really. I guess I'd have to learn. There's one thing I've always wondered what is a real family like? What do they do at 5 o'clock? Do they all sit down around the table to dinner? Do families really go to 'Water Country'?

"If I have a kid, he's going to be smart. No DSS for him. If I ever was a father, I'd give them (the children) some power — some so they could learn

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#### **MWRA** rate will decrease

By Patrick McGee

- Arlington's water and sewer rate will drop 3.75 percent in fiscal year 1996, but residents will not see a decrease in their bills because of a larger scheme to keep costs down for several years.

The nearly quarter of a million dollar drop in the rate Arlington pays the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority will be used to offset next year's expected hike estimated at about 6 percent, said Selectman Charles Lyons, who is also a member of the MWRA Board of Directors.

'We endorsed a position in Arlington to have no rate increase for the next three years," Lyons said.

"We don't intend to increase the water and sewer rates for the next three years," said Town Manager Donald R. Marquis.

spokesman MWRA DiNatale credited Lyons for helping to decrease Arlington's rate DiNatale said Lyons changed the way MWRA arrive at sewer rates.

They now charge by sewer flow instead of population.

Lyons said he asked the MWRA to install sewer meters seven years ago and the meters have been tested for the last three years. The MWRA adopted Lyons' new rate methodology last year

The sewer rate actually went down five percent but the water rate went up slightly, Lyons said.

Lyons said there were two other factors that are keeping prices down: state funds and federal funds

MWRA was receiving \$100 million a year from the federal government, Lyons said. Next year's funding will be cut in half. Lyons said, but it's still a significant amount and he praised Republican Congressman Peter Blute for securing the money.

"It (the rate) probably would have gone up 15 percent if it hadn't been for assistance from the fed."

Lyons said that debt service from the state also helps keep costs down.

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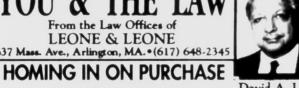
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#### **Building inspectors** complete training

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William Libby and Dennis tium.

O'Keeffe completed the course sponsored by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

With completion of the course. these officials are now certified to evaluate the safety of buildings immediately following damaging earthquakes, or other similar

During a "state of emergency. declared by the governor, any of these officials could be used by MEMA to evaluate structures anywhere in the state

The program was conducted by Dr. Louis Klotz. Ph.D., retired executive director of the New England States Earthquake Consor

## Arlington's share of state aid will increase

STATE AID, from page 1A

fiscal crisis in 1990. According to Leslie Kirwan. deputy commissioner of the state's Department of Revenue, cherry sheets - reports of state aid to communities so named because they used to be printed on pink paper - were mailed on Saturday. July 1. Cherry sheet reports were also available to local officials last week on the DOR's electronic bulletin board system and on the nternet

For this fiscal year that has just begun, the legislature and Governor William Weld devoted a higher percentage of the state budget to local aid than in any budget since the one adopted in 1989.

The commitment to deliver cold, hard dollars to cities and towns has been strengthened. said Geoff Beckwith, executive director of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, which lobbies for local aid on Beacon Hill.

This is the largest aid increase in recent times, and it would be nice to continue on this path next

As with most good things, however, there's a catch: since the Education Reform Act of 1993 became law, an increasing chunk of local aid is earmarked for education. and that means the amount cities and towns can use for services other than education keeps getting squeezed.

There's a growing recognition that municipalities are reliant on local aid to fund other programs as - public safety, public services, libraries, Beckwith said.

Don Buckholtz, a senior research association at the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation. said the earmarking of a large portion of local aid for education has created a tension between school and non-school services

But, as Buckholtz points out, the state wouldn't be earmarking so much money for education of the state's Supreme Judicial Court, in the 1993 McDuffy decision. hadn't ruled that cities and towns were providing inadequate financing for public education.

State aid to cities and towns began increasing sharply in 1981, the first year that Proposition 2 1/2, the property tax-limiting measure. went into effect. By 1989, according to a Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation report, local aid had become the largest expenditure in the state budget.

Then came the state government budget crash that began in 1990, with Beacon Hill budget-makers facing a nearly \$1 billion deficit. Aid to cities and towns was slashed.

cits no other set of programs lost more ground than support for cities and towns, according to the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foun-Those were also the years that

During the years of budget defi-

cities and towns didn't get cherry sheets until August, according to Kirwan. This year, members of the Gov-

ernor's Local Government Advisory Council, a group made up of local officials that meets with he governor and lieutenant government

several times a year, asked that cherry sheets be available be March 1 so that cities and especially town, which have to budget at town meeting, could draft accu-

rate spending plans. But disagreement over the level of local between Governor William: Weld, the House, and the Senate during the state budget drafting process kept the Department of Revenue from sending out the local aid reports until three months after communities had wanted

Without some solid agreement between the legislative and executive branches on local aid, Kirwan said, the DOR cannot determine cherry sheet numbers. Weld finally signed the budget into law on June 21, and the DOR was able to compile cherry sheet figures within ten days.

Despite the tardiness of the cherry sheets - which will cause some towns to have to call special town meetings - Beckwith said at least Beacon Hill is becoming more consistent with local aid from year to year,

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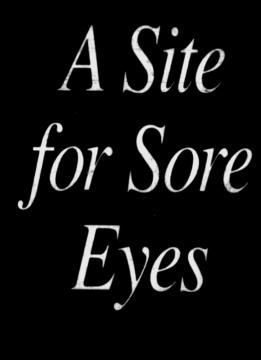
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## LOCAL POLITICS



#### **Beacon Hill Roll Call**

**BEACON HILL ROLL CALL** Volume 22 — Report No. 25 Massachusetts House and Senate July 3 to 7, 1995

THE HOUSE AND SENATE. "Beacon Hill Roll Call" records local representatives' votes on three roll calls and local senators' votes on four roll calls from recent sessions. There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

SJC SALARY HIKES (H 5100) -

House 146.6, Senate 37.0, overrode Gov. Weld's budget veto of \$64,798 in salary increases for clerks and assistant clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court. Override supporters said the clerks are underpaid and deserve a reasonable pay hike. Override opponents said the raises run counter to the Court Reform Act under which the Chief Justice of Administration and Management, not the legislature, is supposed to establish pay levels. A "Yes" vote is for the salary

hikes. A "No" vote is against the salary hikes. Rep. Jim Marzilli voted yes. Rep. Anne M. Paulsen voted yes.

Sen. Robert Havern did not vote. NURSING HOME BED HOLD (H **5100)** - House 156-0, Senate 36-1, overrode Gov. Weld's budget veto of a section requiring the state to

pay to reserve the bed of any Medicaid-subsidized nursing home patient who has been transferred to a hospital for up to 10 days or is absent from the nursing home for up to 15 days per year for non-medical reasons. Override supporters said these beds and rooms are home to many senior citizens and argued these elderly people should have the security of knowing they can return to the nursing home after any short absence. In his veto message, Weld said the bed hold will increase Medicaid spending. A "Yes" vote is for the bed hold.

A "No" vote is against the bed hold.

Rep. Marzilli voted yes. Rep. Paulsen voted yes. Sen. Havern did not vote.

**OPEN SPACE (H 5206)** - House 155-0, gave near final approval and sent to the Senate a \$469 million bond package entitled "an environmental enhancement and protection package for the state." Provisions include millions of dollars to help cities and towns acquire open space property: \$5 million to implement the American Disabilities Act at various state parks and recreation areas; \$30 million to protect native floral and animal communities; and \$30 million to establish a loan program to help residents facing sceptic system repair and replacement costs under new state regulations known as Title 5. Supporters said the funds from a similar \$220 million package in 1987 have nearly dried up and argued the new package will continue to protect, conserve and improve open space and other important outdoor areas and facili-

A "Yes" vote is for the \$469 million bond package.

Rep. Marzilli voted yes. Rep. Paulsen voted yes.

SICK LEAVE BANKS (\$ 1837) Senate 33-5, overrode Gov. Weld's veto of a bill establishing a sick leave bank for state employees of the executive branch. The proposal allows employees to donate unused sick, personal or vacation leave time to a sick leave bank and then allows any donor with an extended illness who has exhausted his own leave time to use up to 120 of the bank's days in any two-year period. Override supporters said this bill will help many hardwork-

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Override opponents said the bill goes too far and formalizes the concept of sick leave as a new un-restricted entitlement for state employees. They argued these employes currently have generous sick leave benefits. The ability to purchase long-term disability insurance at low cost and access to similar catastrophic illness leave banks already created in 1992 by Weld's executive order. The bill now goes to the House for override consideration.

A "Yes" vote is for the sick leave banks. A "No" vote is against the sick leave banks.

Sen. Havern voted yes.

**TURNPIKE GRANTS (S 1944) -**Senate 22-14, approved an amendment to the bill allowing the state to sell the third harbor tunnel to the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority. The amendment establishes a local public works and tourism grant program for the benefit of communities west of 128 along the turnpike corridor. The

grant program would be funded from turnpike revenues to the tune of \$1 million annually. Amendment supporters said this program will help these neglected communities whose residents cur-rently pay substantial turnpike tolls and yet will receive little or no benefit from the huge expense of the third harbor tunnel/central artery project. Amendment opponents offered no arguments.

A "Yes" vote is for the grant program. A "No" vote is against the grant program.

Sen. Havern voted no.

Coming Up on Beacon Hill

INSURANCE SURCHARGE (H 928) - The Public Service Committee is considering legislation mandating a one percent sur-charge on all life and disability insurance policies written in Massachusetts. The funds would be used for a newly established Emergency Medical Service upgrade program to assist local fire departments in funding for emergency personnel, vehicles and other

emergency equipment and training. Sponsored by Rep. Alvin Thompson, (D-Cambridge) and the Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts.

BAN FREE CIGARETTES (H 1957) - The House has given near final approval and sent to the Senate a bill banning the distribution of free cigarettes and other tobacco products on any streets, parks, public grounds or buildings and any other public places in the state. The proposal imposes up to a \$50 fine on violators. Sponsored by Rep. Daniel Bosley (D-North

MARK CHARBONNIER TUNNEL (H 482) - The House has given near final approval and sent to the Senate a bill providing that a new tunnel being built by the MBTA in Kingston be named the State Trooper Mark Charbonnier Tunnel in memory of the young officer slain in the line of duty. Sponsored by Rep. Robert Kraus (B-Kings-

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### **Editorial**

#### V-chip

he technology is simple and cheap, the political support is growing and the voices of concerned consumers are getting louder, but the so-called V-chip bill passed by the Senate needs to be purged of one last

In case you don't watch violence-prone television news or read the crime-ridden dailies, the V-chip is a handy \$5 piece of hardware designed for television sets. The V is for violence, which is one of the subjects the chip can screen from televisions.

How it would work is the chip would read a special rating code transmitted with broadcast signals. The code might designate whether the program contained violence, nudity, sexual situations or offensive language. The television owner would then program the chip to block certain ratings.

The problem is that network television industry officials have shown no desire to voluntarily rate their programs. The present bill gives the industry a year to come up with a rating system. If the deadline passes, the government would step in with a rating commission.

The potential for government censorship needs to be eliminated. The V-chip allows for censorship by an adult in the home. This is where censorship ought to occur.

As President Clinton noted in supporting the bill earlier this week, with so many latchkey children spending long hours at home without parental supervision there is a need for a ratings system. With 500-channel systems on the horizon, the amount of X-rated and tasteless programming is sure to increase.

If the television industry cannot reach an agreement for selfevaluation, will government intervention be needed? Not if there is the proper demand from consumers. Some branches of the industry, cable companies for instance, have voiced support for a ratings system similar to current ratings for movies.

If the television consumer wants ratings, the consumer will get ratings. Network officials - who fear ratings would stop some people from watching their shows and therefore lower their advertizing revenues - would probably lag behind. However, if television owners set their V-chips to screen out all unrated programs, the networks would be quick to change their sig-

Of course, there is a readily available method for keeping inappropriate programs out of the home. Throw out or lock up the

#### Letters to the Editor

#### Cartoon draws additional fire

To the editor:

I am alarmed and appalled by the editorial cartoon which appeared on page 10A (June 29 edition), particularly the admonition to: "Help cure lung cancer. Shoot a smoker

Are you suggesting that by killing smokers, we will cure cancer? Or are you urging the promiscuous use of firearms? Do you recommend employing violence against those with whom we disagree?

Would you also do a cartoon to say "Cure AIDS. Kill a gay man" Or: "Stop heart attacks, slaughter a fat person."? Or, "Make driving safer. Murder a drinker of alcohol"? Just how far will you go to

"protect" our citizens? It is significant that I write to you on Independence Day, the celebration of freedom and individual

Now, to address the other, larger

Recently, the three man "Board of Health" (appointed by our socalled "Selectmen") made a decision which affects 40,000-plus residents, approximately one-third of

whom smoke After some kangaroo court style public meetings, these three men

smoking in Arlington, especially affecting several restaurants and their patrons

As in other communities, we will probably put these eating establishments out of business, as has happened elsewhere. The cigarette smoker will go to a neighboring town, or just stay home to eat and save money. It will happen. In fact, it has in every city and town. and it is happening here now.

Let me say that I do not smoke cigarettes, nor does my wife. I have no interest in any restaurant or tobacco seller, I have no financial stake in this matter, However, in my experience, the hallmark of the least intelligent or our fellow voters is the inability to grasp the concept of freedom, and the consequence of abdicating our freedoms to the agendas of the few.

There will be those who say: You shouldn't be smoking anynow "I agree that you shouldn't. But, you also should not: drive a car without wearing a helmet; eat until you gain too much weight, eat the wrong things; use illegal drugs. over use over-the-counter medications, drink alcohol except under physician's orders permit choolboy contact sports - look at the stats, gamble - many families have suffered, cheat on your taxes:

lie, steal or cheat on your spouse. etc.etc.etc May I also suggest that you not

played God, and decided to outlaw LETTERS, see page 9A

## FAIR MAIDEN, SURELY THOU HEY, I'M A METER MAIDEN. WHAT DID YOU EXPECT? HASN'T TICKETED MY HORSE. MEDIEVAL CONVOY VISITS ARLINGTON

## Husband gets a chorus of birthday blues

Lots of people know how to spend their special days. Maybe we'll never be like them.

To us the month just past is doubly special, containing as it does both the birthday of my husband David and our anniversary

Let me deal with the former for

For reasons no longer clear to me, instead of trying to plan a meal out or even a small family party, I suggested to David that he might get a bigger kick out of his special day if I offered our house for the Church Choir's spring cook-out,

night. "That way we can really have fun." I said, picturing 40 on-key singers — a happy band of revelers out in the yard, singing songs around the piano later, maybe even breaking into serenade. Every choir member brings a dish to this event, I reminded him. All we had to do was afford grill space out back, find a few lawn chairs that didn't fall to the ground the minute someone sat in them, and make

sure the plumbing worked. My husband is such a good guy.

"OK." he said. And so the day dawned. The

#### LIFE AND ALL THAT

TERRY MAROTTA



guests were due at 6 p.m. At 20 minutes of, with choir director out by the grill trying to light matches in the pouring rain, David walked in the door from work.

"Hey, Happy Birthday, again!" I greeted him. "There's something wrong with the sink."

He got right down on the kitchen floor in his white shirt and wormed his way under it. In a few minutes he'd pulled the Dispose-All out by the ears and looked in all the pipes. "Nothing wrong here,"

So into the cellar he disappeared. He was still there when the 40 showed up, all looking for the pot-holders and asking how the microwave worked. The rain still fell, so they stayed inside, many of them right next to a sink now filled to the gills with a murky chowder of standing water. I excused myself and went down to find David.

He was perched on a chair in a spot just under the kitchen, with a wire coat hanger and a bucket. Into the bucket dribbled such wahead length of piping, open now at one joint and utterly clogged with a solid white knot of animal fat and what appeared at first glance to be boar bristles but were really fibers from a long-ago meal of artichokes.

With his pried-apart hanger, he was picking at this hideous, and may I add offensive-smelling, plug of years-old lard, which seemed to reach several feet along the pipe in each direction. With each poke, a little more water plopped into the bucket, which David had cautiously hung under the opening.

"Oh honey, I'm sorry," I said, looking up at him toiling there.

'You might want to stand back a bit," he answered. "Any minute I may poke out the key blob; there could be pressure built up behind

Well you can guess the rest.

The minute he said that, his prying loosed the final chunk — which shot like a cannonball from the pipe and hit him square in the glasses, propelled as it was by a deluge of debris-filled water. Even then it continued to shoot with such force it missed the bucket entirely, hosing instead for a full 30 seconds the Birthday Boy's shirt and tie, his trousers and his little black shoes. It was like getting thrown up on by a really big elephant

When at last we walked upstairs to rejoin our guests, all still yelling joyfully, they hardly noticed; but went yodeling on with their merry tra-la-la. The rest of the evening is kind of a blur, but I'm pretty sure I didn't get to tell them it was the poor guy's birthday.

So I'm taking suggestions as to what we might do for nest year's celebration. If I don't come up with something to make up for this year's pip, I may have already had my last anniversary.

## The myths and fears of people with mental retardation

By Alex L. Moschella

The Arlington Advocate's Will Morton should be commended for an outstanding journalistic endeavor in presenting the issues raised in the Peter Agrillo case, as reported in the June 23, edition of the Advocate. The article was balanced and thought provoking.

#### **Guest** comment

The larger issue raised by this article goes to the core of how we view a person with disabilities, especially the stereotypical reaction that we associate with mental re-

No article can capture the gentleness, responsiveness and ununitigated openness of those persons with mental retardation. Unfortunately, it seems that only those touched by such lives, as either having a family member. a loved one or some direct personal or professional involvement can understand the human side of what a family must endure to have access to a normal and positive life in the community.

Hopefully, the thorough investigative reporting by Will Morton in talking to all sides of the dispute and personally meeting with Peter Agrillo and his family and presenting the article in a balanced fashion, may shed some light on why equal access to common decency for those with disabilities is still

It is significant to note that in re-

viewing the response of the article with members of our community. I was struck by the fact that numerous other parties who know of the Agrillo situation, also know that this family have been subjected to numerous offensive comments throughout the years of living in our town. This unfortunate and insensitive behavior is a manifestation of the label mental retarda-

Make no mistake about it, that neither Peter Agrillo or his family. nor the families that I have had the privilege to have represented through my over 20 years as a lawver want sympathy or a patronizing response to their plight. Rather, they seek the same level of decency and community acceptance that each of us want for ourselves an our children. In essence, those families with disabled children of any age, are no different than you or I. The only true difference is that every day of their lives they struggle to make sure theirs is a level playing field for their chil-

I have been touched by numerous instances of acts of courageous love and uncommon caring that families and persons with mental retardation have displayed throughout my career as an attorney concentrating in this field.

I was fortunate to have such an exceptional experience with Peter Agrillo early last week, when he had the courage to appear with me at a regional training conference for probation officers and judges on the topic of "Access of Persons with Mental Retardation to Testify in Our Court System." As chair-

man of an inter-disciplinary Task Force established by Attorney General Scott Harshbarger's office and Middlesex District Attorney Tom Reilly's office, I helped introduce model legislation to ensure that persons with mental retardation would have access to the court system to testify as the victims of crime is now law. I asked Peter to participate with me in a case study wherein his situation would be presented and discussed as a learning experience.

The legislation that was recently passed allows a person with mental retardation to have access to alternative means to testify in court proceedings, such as the availability of a non-threatening alternative to the court room for the judge to take testimony as well as the use of videotaping and to have present at a hearing an advocate family member or other person as a support system. Peter's participation in this conference allowed court personnel to understand the cognitive problem areas that Peter would encounter in navigating the criminal justice system to testify. as in fact occurred in Peter's situation when he was last before the court to truthfully testify as to the incident reported in the Advocate article.

The Americans with Disability Act was signed into law in 1990 to provide full participation and access to all aspects of employment and public use for persons with a disability. It will take time, courage and the willingness of families and persons like Peter to come forward to insure equal access and treatment, but more importantly it MYTHS, see page 9A.

will take a community response to acknowledge that incidents such as those that occurred with Peter are not simply pranks, adolescent behavior or harmless conduct.

Massachusetts has a visionary and progressive Civil Rights Act that is designed to protest Peter and other families from such harmful conduct.

In conclusion, the response of the various parties and the perceptions that exist toward this case, will shape our future attitudes and the reexamination of our own biases and stereotypes of persons with mental retardation. It is easy in situations such as reported to believe a person with mental retardation as being intimidating, offensive to others and generally making someone feel uncomfortable. These are all myths that are portrayed by those who do not know the individual or the family. These are all myths and fears fostered by those who do not want to see the person as an individual but simply define the person by the label "mental retardation." In and of itself, mental retardation historically has been a cruel and misused label. It is associated with all of the numerous myths and fears that lead to persons with mental retardation being denied equal access and justice. The fears and passions of the ill-informed take over.

Hopefully, those individuals involved with the behavior outlined in the article, will reexamine their core values and beliefs of persons with mental retardation. Hopefully, those individuals that are dis-

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reelect people who do not repre sent your interests, or buy publications who don't have the courage to "fight city hall

Dick Madison

#### **Blowing horn** for path safety

To the editor:

Who imagined that the Minute man Bicycle Trail would have more riders than any bike path in the United States? Riders and other users flock to it like motorists to a new parkway. Safe interactions between bicyclists and pedestrians, who stop to enjoy the sublime views, are normal, but accidents are inevitable due to crowding Nothing fails like success. Do we need to four-lane the bike path, or (my daughter suggests) build an elevated track'

Fortunately the technology to in tegrate traffic and good manners has existed for the entire century of modern bicycling. The solution. on sale in stores, is easily mounted on handlebars with a pair of screws Instead of harsh barks of the barbaric and non-grammatical "On your left" (if you can bring vourself to yell at strangers) the trail could ring with one of the

sweetest sounds known to humankind the bicycle bell. A new variety with a single pure ding surpasses the classic jingle in purity of tone. For more jocular tastes. there is the Harpo Marx style bicycle horn, also in two models. Finally, in keeping with the bike trail's historical character as an artifact of industrial archaeology - one of the first American railroads wooden steam engine whistles are sold in several area toy and hobby

If the Friends of the Bike Trail were to stick a pedaling Minuteman logo label on a few gross of hese items and sell them, they

could raise safety, aesthetic and trail identity levels and some mon-

David Formanek Newland Road

#### Collins article stirs up a story

Your June 29 article on the Advocate columnist, the late Leonard Collins, revived an especially humorous personal recollection of ny old friend. Readers of a popular magazine may recall anecdotes entitled The Perfect Squelch These stories were true to life "put of oneexamples

MYTHS, from page 8A.

charged with responsibility of reexamining these issues will be able to fashion a reasonable, mediated solution to this problem Hopefully, the criminal justice sys tem will respond accordingly to allow Peter's testimony to be accept ed within our court of law as truth ful, credible and important testimony to be heard. Hopefully, those individuals who were involved in this behavior will reexamine their attitudes and extend a friendly hand and a warm smile to Peter and in turn they might see an in kind response. Hopefully, those parents who hear their children use unkind words and comments such as "retard" and other forms of stereotypical comments and be havior, will try to inform and instruct in a positive way

Most importantly, those people who know the Agrillo family will feel comfortable enough to share with them the pain of what they are going through and offer some comfort and support by simply letting them know and understand how difficult the situation must be As a community we should do no less to ensure that those among us who are the most vulnerable are in fact, fully protected, for if we have

the capacity to allow such actions to go unaccounted for in our community we are all diminished by our failure to take witness that such behavior is totally unaccept

The vigorous enforcement of the Lassachusetts Civil Rights statute as reported in the article. are critical to changing long standing ingrained personal and instiutional prejudice and bias toward persons with mental retardation The first step is the hardest. ince denial that a problem exists

leads to passive acceptance. Mr Moschella is counsel to Peter Agrillo He has resided in Arlington with his family for 23 years. He is a member of the board of directors of the Arlington Council on Aging He is a past president of the Greater Boston Association for Retarded Citizens and the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. He maintains a private community based law practice in Somerville called Metro Elder and Disability Law Associated (MEDLAW) and is an adjunct faculty member at Suftolk University Law School where he teaches elder and disability

upmanship or just plain getting even The beauty of the outcomes was that they were always achieved with a laugh. The following incident qualifies.

One evening in our local Stop and Shop, I was moving with my purchases into the checkout when I spotted Lennie Collins two customers ahead of me. He was already at the register. I could overhear bits of his conversation. with the high school aged checkout clerk...discussing some of Lennie's To the editor: favorite subjects...how AHS teams were doing, who the top athlete were, and so on Thus far Lennie had not seen me standing at the rear of the line, and I quickly decided to "needle" him over the minor delay he was creating. This would cause him to turn around. see me, and then we'd both enjoy a good laugh over the remark.

view I said in a low, impatient tone, "How about ending your conversation so the rest of us can get out of here

To my surprise Lennie never turned around. He simply picked up his bag of groceries, moved straight ahead and left the store without so much as a word. I felt a flush of overwhelming shame and embarrassment. The air at the counter went absolutely frigid. There were glares of hostility from clerks and customers alike both ahead of me and in adjacent aisles. The angry silence was deafening From their expressions they must have all been thinking the same thought. "Who on Earth was this jerk to be so rude to such a well dressed, white haired, dignified elderly gentleman who was after all, only being pleasant to the young clerk.

I could not escape from that store fast enough. Furthermore I had to catch up to Lennie in order to explain what happened and to apologize for hurting his feelings. As soon as I made it through the front door out onto the walk I saw. to my surprise. Lennie standing had a huge grin on his face and began laughing as I approached

He said. "I knew it was you. I saw

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you earlier Got you pretty good back there didn't I'

Vintage Collins. And it was months before I would go back to Stop and Shop.

Jack Johnson

#### Positive time at Ottoson School

ity seems to constantly make the Front page. I would like to impart something positive for a change

My son has just completed two vears at the Ottoson Middle School and it has been a wonderful expemence both for him as a student. and for me as a parent I must admit that I, like many other parents So, while remaining out of his 1 m sure, had reservations about sending my son there. We had all heard the horror stories, so it was with a great deal of trepidaion that I sent him I quickly real ized how unfounded those fear sere I assumed the responsibility of editing the student newspape volved in the school I found the retarnal, teaching staff, food ser aces guidance custodial and most importantly the student body) were extremely helpful and

My son has learned a great deal while at Ottoson and although I tery pleased with the curriculum. but I was even more pleased with the environment in which that curriculum was taught. The staff is rade up of a group of truly dedi sted and caring individuals, and yould like to take this opportunity to publicly thank all of them tors and those with whom near the corner of the building. He ous school activities. If I tried to name names. I would inadvertent-

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#### Robert A. Gervais **ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY**

Robert A. Gervais of Arlington died July 6 at the Medical Center at Symmes after a lengthy illness. He was 64.

Born in Brighton, he was a 30 year resident of Arlington.He graduated from Arlington High School and Bentley College. He was a self-employed Public Accountant. He was also active in the community, serving as a Town Meeting Member for six years and as a founding member of the Good Neighbor Committee. He was a late U.S. Marine Corp Veteran of the Korean Conflict

He was the father of Michelle D. Ferrante and her husband, David L of Somerville and Richard R. and his wife, Agnes (Morris) Gervais of Arlington; son of Dina B. (Letendre) and the late Leonard A. Gervais; brother of Lionel L. of Chelmsford, Stephen P. of N.Y., Jeannette C. DeFeo of Woburn, Rita I. Ameral of Winchester, Theresa H. Brown of Arlington and Jeanne Melitse of Wilmington; and grandfather of David M. and Nicole M. Ferrante of Somerville and Danielle K. Gervais of Arlington. He also leaves many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was said on July 8 at Our Lady of Pity Church in North Cambridge. Burial was pri-

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#### Paul D. Nyberg FORMER RESIDENT

Paul D. Nyberg of Townsend, formerly of Arlington, died unexpectedly July 3 at the Deaconess Nashoba Hospital in Ayer. He was

Born in Somerville, he resided in Arlington for many years before moving to Townsend, ten years ago. He was employed in the maintenance department at Arlington High School for 30 years, retiring in 1989. He was also a U.S. Navy Veteran of World War II.

He was the father of Daniel P. Nyberg of Methuen and Scott G. Nyberg of Hudson, N. H.; brother of Kenneth Nyberg of Arlington; and companion of Patricia A. Shaw. He also leaves three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on July 7 at the T.J. Anderson & Son Funeral Home in Townsend. Burial followed at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne.

#### Pauline J. Brooks FORMER EDUCATOR

Pauline J. Brooks of Arlington, formerly of Watertown, died unexpectedly July 3 at the Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge.

Born in Cambridge, she was a longtime Arlington resident. She was a retired teacher at the Brown School in Watertown for many

She was the sister of Mrs. Francis T. (Trudy) O'Brien of Somerville, Mrs. William (Ruth) Cadogan of Simsbury, Conn. and

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Reynold A. Currier of Raleigh,

N.C., formerly of Arlington, died

Born in Somerville, he was a

baseball and track star at

Somerville High School. Follow-

ing graduation from high school,

he worked as a salesman for Na-

bisco, he then worked for a men's

clothing store and next joined Le-

vine's Radio in Boston. He estab-

Hished and operated his own radio

and television business, Currier

Radio Sales in Lexington in the

mid 1940's. In 1948 he joined his

brothers as a vice-president of

Currier Lumber Corporation in

Everett. He was an active partici-

pant in Rotary functions in Ever-

ett. The three brothers also estab-

lished other businesses, Currier

Sales and Service and Currier

Real Estate Development Trust.

Reynold's superior sales skills

made a significant contribution to

their success. He retired from

these businesses in 1975 at the age

He was the father of Reynold A.

Jr. of Raleigh, N.C. and Marjorie

Baker of Troy, Maine; and brother

of Harold of Bourne. He also

leaves five grandchildren and nu-

at 11 a.m. on August 1 at the Han-

cock Congregational Church in

A memorial service will be held

bridge, Mass. 02139-1562.

Reynold A. Currier

FORMER RESIDENT

June 21. He was 92.

A funeral Mass was said on July 6 at St. James Church. Burial followed at St. Paul's Cemetery in Ar-

Arrangements were made by the Daniel F. O'Brien Funeral Home.

#### Mary Ann MacNeil FORMER SECRETARY

Mary Ann MacNeil of Arlington died July 4 at the Middlesex Hospital in Waltham after a brief illness. She was 72.

Born in Canada, she was a longtime Arlington resident. She was a

former secretary for TRW She was the daughter of the late Michael S. and Margaret (Farrell); and sister of Alex of Sydney, Nova Scotia, James F., Margaret Doucette and Dolena MacKinnon of Christmas Island, Nova Scotia, Michael and Leo, both of Natick, Angus, Lucy, Hugh, Dan and Theresa MacNeil, all of Arlington, and the late Catherine Franco. She also leaves numerous nieces, nephews, grand nieces and nephews and three great grand nieces and nephews.

Funeral services and burial were held in Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Arrangements were made by the Gaffey-McAvoy Funeral Home.

#### Josephine P. Costa LONGTIME RESIDENT

Josephine P. (Privitera) Costa of Arlington, formerly of Cambridge, died July 7 at St. Camillus Hospital in Whitensville after a lengthy illness. She was 82.

Born in Boston, she was a longtime Arlington resident. She was a ormer cafeteria aide

She was the wife of the late Dominic A.; mother of Carol A. Camara and David Costa; grandmother of Leslie and Robert Camara Jr. and Brenda and David Costa; great grandmother of Steven Camara; and sister of Mary Spatafora, Lena Francis and the late Victor Privitera and Eleanor

A funeral Mass was said on July 11 at St. Francis Church in Cambridge. Burial followed at Mount

Rogers Funeral Home, Cambridge

Pleasant Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the

#### Barbara M. Traganos LIFELONG RESIDENT

merous nieces and nephews.

Barbara M. (Bonnell) Traganos of Arlington died July 7 at the Lahey Clinic Medical Center in Burlington after a lengthy illness. She was 39.

Born in Arlington, she was a lifelong resident and a homemaker. She was the wife of Charles G.;

mother of Mark and Julie Napolitano, both of Arlington; stepmother of Charles, Cara and Marky Traganos, all of Arlington,; daughter of Beatrice and the late Floyd Bonnell; and sister of Bonnie and Bonnell and Patricia Suprenard

A funeral Mass was said on July 12 at St. Eulalia's Church in Winchester. Burial followed at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by the DeVito-O'Donnell Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made to the Traganos Family, c/o The DeVito-O'Donnell Funeral Home.

#### Joseph P. Knowles LIFELONG RESIDENT

Joseph P. Knowles of Arlington died July 2 at the East Village Nursing Home in Lexington after a lengthy illness. He was 83.

Born in Arlington, he was a lifelong resident. He was employed by the Town of Arlington as a laborer and a chauffeur and was also a farmer for his entire life.

He was the husband of the late Margaret E. (Clarke); father of Robert F. of Corpus Christi, Texas, Joseph P. Jr. and Kathleen A. Moran and her husband, John J. Moran, all of Arlington,; and grandfather of Mary Zizzo of Medford, Maura, Patrick, John and Margaret Moran, all of Arlington. He also leaves many nieces and one neph-

A funeral Mass was said on July 6 at St. James Church. Burial followed at Mount Pleasant Ceme-

Arrangements were made by the D.W. Grannan & Son Funeral

#### Thelma M. Thomson **CASHIER**

Thelma M. (Hurley) Thomson of Arlington died July 7 at the Courtyard Nursing Care Center in Med ford after a lengthy illness. She was 74.

Born in Texas, she was a longtime Arlington resident. She was a cashier in the restaurant business.

She was the wife of the late Anthony; mother of Donna L. Thomson Murphy of Wilmington and Betsy L. of N.Y.C.; and mother-inlaw of Joseph A. Murphy. She also leaves three sisters and two broth-

Funeral services and burial were private.

Arrangements were made by the D.W. Grannan & Son Funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 80 East Concord St., Boston, Mass. 02142.

#### Elizabeth Sisson LIFELONG RESIDENT

Elizabeth (Bradbury) Sisson of Nashua, N.H., formerly of Arlington, died June 28 after a brief illness. She was 84.

Born in Arlington, she was a lifelong resident until moving to Nashua three years ago. She was a graduate of Arlington High School in 1929 and Katherine Gibbs School in 1931. She was employed by W.R. Grace Co. in Cambridge from 1934 to 1975. She was a nurses' aide during World War II Keefe Funeral Home

at Symmes and Waltham Army Hospital. She was Grand Marshall of the Patriot's Day Parade, a member of the Frances W. Wyman Association, Arlington Women's Club, First Baptist Church of Arlington, Chairperson of the Arlington High School Alumni Reunion and a life member of the Appalachian Mountain Club.

She was the wife of Stanley L. Sisson; sister of Henry M. Bradbury Jr. of Calif. and Lucille B. Wormwood of New York; and stepmother of Caroline B. Pennell and John B. Sisson. She also leaves many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held July 6 at the Saville Funeral Home.

Memorial donations may be made to the First Baptist Church of Arlington, 819 Mass. Ave., Arlington, Mass. 02174.

#### Dorothy V. Boudreau WORD PROCESSOR

Dorothy V. (McCarthy) Boudreau of Arlington died July 8 at the Sancta Maria Nursing Facility in Cambridge after a lengthy illness. She was 72.

Born in Somerville, she was a longtime Arlington resident. She was a Word Processor in the architectural business.

She was the mother of Donald A. Boudreau of Medford and Stephen Boudreau of Arlington; and sister of Geraldine Mallon of Maryland and Eleanor Church of Lexington. She also leaves many grandchil-

A funeral Mass was said on July? 11 at St. Agnes Church. Burial followed at Mount Pleasant Ceme-

Arrangements were made by the D.W. Grannan & Son Funeral Home.

#### Alice J. Ugolini FORMER ACCOUNTANT

Alice J. (Ferreira) Ugolini of Arlington died June 27 at her homeafter a lengthy illness. She was 85.

Born in Cambridge, she was a resident of Arlington for 40 years. She was employed by Sage's Market as an accountant. She was the wife of the late John

; mother of Lorraine Bishop of Arlington and Virginia Slattery of Burlington; and sister of Agnes DeAngelis and Rose Traveis. She also leaves four grandchildren and two great grandchildren. A funeral Mass was said on June

30 at St. Agnes Church. Burial followed at Calvary Cemetery in Wo-

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school, 10 a.m. family service: Holy Eucharist with sermon and choir. Child care provided. Steinberg at 648-7152. Morning prayer on second Sunday of month. Church of Our Saviour, 21 Marathon St., 648-5962, Sunday, 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite I; 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Holy Eu-

charist Rite II. Summer hours: July 2 through Labor Day: one service 9:00 a.m.

Coffee hour follows each service. For information about Bible Study, Food Pantry, Recycling Program or Adult Education, call number

#### EVANGELICAL

Covenant Church, Park and Westminster avenues, Arlington, 646-9027, Erick Schenkel, pastor. Worship service Sunday, 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School and child care provided. Home group meeting throughout the week,

lope Community Church, 646-9367, Craig Schroder, pastor. Sunday worship and week day Bible studies are offered to interested indi-

145 Brattle St., Cambridge, 354-0632, Rev. viduals. Sunday service begins at 5 p.m. at 21 Mampre Kouzouian, pastor. Divine Liturgy, 10 Marathon St. in Arlington. a.m. until noon: sermon, 11:30 a.m.: Armenian Trinity Covenant Church, 7 Clematis Road. language school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 Lexington, 861-0780, Rev. Christopher Haydon. Worship service Sunday, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:30 p.m.; women's Bible study

#### day FRIENDS

Quaker Group in Arlington, a group of Quakers who live in Arlington, members and attenders of Cambridge Friends Meeting, are holding twice-monthly gatherings in their homes. For information contact Mary Gilbert at

9:30 a.m., Wednesday; youth Bible study, 7:30

p.m., Wednesday; men's fellowship, 6 a.m., Fri-

#### 646-3760 **GREEK ORTHODOX**

St. Athanasius Greek Orthodox Church 735 Mass Ave., 646-0705, Rev. Dr. Nicholas M. Kastanas, Presbyter. Sunday Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (mid-June to mid-September 9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.). Sunday Orthros Service 8:45 a.m. to 10 a.m. (mid-June to mid-September 8 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.). Sunday Catechetical Church School: 10 a.m.; Weekday Services Orthros 8 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

#### INDEPENDENT FUNDAMENTALIST

Biblical Research, The Way International, 9 Wildwood Ave., 648-4905. Anthony Patch, Fellowship Coordinator; Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, 4:30 p.m.; Children welcome.

Glorious Hope Church, 1205 Rear Mass. Ave., Arlington Heights 643-7648. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m., Wendox Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m. Liberty Baptist-Independent, 7 Central St.,

643-0880, Rev. Richard Watt, Pastor, 10:30 a m Sunday School and Morning Worship, 7 p.m. Sunday Evening; 7 p.m., Thursday, Bible Study

#### **JEWISH**

Beth El Temple Center, 2 Concord Ave., Belmont, 484-6668. Rabbi Jonathan E. Kraus, Friday evening services: (September-June) at 8 Saturday morning service: (September-June) at 10 a.m.; Sunday services: 9 a.m. morning Minyan: (Monday and Thursday) at 7

Temple Shir Tikvah, P.O. Box 373. Winchester Rabbi David Kudan, 729-1188. Reform Jewish congregation serving Arlington, Winchester and the Mystic Valley. Shabbat Services on Mitzvah classes. Those interested may contact Temple Shir Tikvah President Michael Bragen at 861-1269 or Membership Chairman Rob

Temple Emunah, Piper Road at Route 2. Lexington, 861-0300. Rabbi Bernard Eisenman, Educational Director, Serene Victor Daily. Services: 7 a.m., 7:15 p.m.; Sunday morning: 9 a.m., evening: 7:15 p.m.; Shabbat Services: Friday evening Erev Shabbat Service 6:15 p.m.: morning worship 9:30 a.m.; Mincha, Rabbi's torah class 5:15 p.m.

Temple Shalom, 475 Winthrop, Medford, 396-3262. Rabbi Bernard Stefansky. Modern ervative synagogue holds Saturday Shabbat services at 9 a.m.; Sunday minyan and breakfast at 8:30 a.m., Monday and Thursday minyans at 7 a.m., Friday services 8 p.m. after summer. Hebrew school, pre-school through 6th grade. Family shabbat services third Satur-day of each month for children.

#### LUTHERAN

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 929 Concord Turnpike (end of Hillside Avenue) Arlington. 646-7773. Rev. Gordon J. Schultz, pastor; education hour, 9 a.m.; service 10:15 a.m. (nursery provided); Holy Communion celebrated the first and third Sundays and on festival days; fellow-

#### ship, 11:30 a.m.

**METHODIST** Calvary Church United Methodist, 300 Mass. Ave., 646-8679. William Coleman, D. Min: Sunday: 9:30 a.m., Christian Education, 10:30 a.m., Worship, 11:30 a.m. Fellowship.

Korean Beacon United Methodist Church, 300 Mass. Ave., 641-2106. The Rev. Seok Hwan Hong, pastor. Sunday: 11:30, bible study: 2 p.m, worship; 2:30 p.m. church school.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Arlington Ward, 2 Ledgewood Place, Belmont, 489-4125. Bishop Kip G. Thompson. Sunday: 9 a.m., Sacrament meeting: 10:20 a.m., Sunday School: 11:10 p.m. Pr. R.S. youth. NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Countryside Bible Chapel, 480 Lowell Street. Lexington, 862-7513. Sunday School, 9:15 arm.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., Communion Service, 6 p.m. Nursery care available. Small groups, Bible studies, and children's programs during the week.

#### **PRESBYTERIAN**

Clarendon Hill Presbyterian Church, 155 Powder House Blvd. Somerville. Serving Somerville, Arlington, and Medford. Patricia Budd Kepler, Pastor; John Adams, Music Director; 10:30 a.m. Church Service, nursery and Sunday School. Coffee hour follows service.

#### **ROMAN CATHOLIC**

St. James, 22 Appleton St., 643-0636. Rev Francis E. Daley. Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.. Weekday Masses Monday-Friday 9 a.m.; Saturday Masses 4 p.m.

Immaculate Conception, 45 Alewife Brook Parkway, Cambridge, 547-3455. Rev. Arthur F Wright. Saturday Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 8:30. 10, 11:30 a.m., Daily Mass will be celebrated at 8 a.m., Monday through Saturday

Francis X. Irwin. Saturday Mass, 4, 5:15 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 7, 8, 9:15, 10:30 a.m., noon, 5 St. Jerome's, 210 Lake St., 648-2506. Rev.

James L. Publicover. Daily Mass: 9 a.m.; Satur-

day Mass: 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 8a.m., 10 a.m.,

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St. Eulalla's, 50 Ridge St., Winchester, 729-8220. Rev. Francis J. McGann, Pastor. Mass Schedule: Monday through Saturday at 9 a.m.; Saturday at 4 p.m. Sunday at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.; Holydays at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and 9 a.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Confessions are held Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. or by appointment. Baptisms are held the second Sunday of each month at 2 p.m. Instruction is the first Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

St. Camillus, 1175 Concord Tumpike, 643-3132. Rev. Paul Rouse, Pastor. Saturday Mass, 4:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 9 and 11 a.m. Weekday Mass: 9 a.m. Confessions: 6:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday and seasonally

#### UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

First Parish Unitarian Universalist, 630 Mass. Ave., 648-3799, Rev. Berbara Whittaker-Johns. Sunday service: 10 a.m.; Sunday School and child care, 10 a.m.; coffee hour following service. Meditation and prayer meeting, most Mondays, 6:30-7 p.m.; vespers, most Tuesdays, 7-7:30 p.m. Adult religious education, young adult and youth group programs.